

BEFORE THE  
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

PERIODIC REPORTING  
(PROPOSAL ONE)

Docket No. RM2016-7

REPLY COMMENTS OF THE  
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE  
(June 2, 2016)

Order No. 3225 (April 8, 2016) set May 20, 2016 as the deadline for initial comments in this proceeding, and June 6 as the deadline for reply comments. The only initial comments submitted were filed by the Public Representative on May 20. The United States Postal Service hereby briefly responds.

The Public Representative recommends that the Commission approve Proposal One. PR Comments (May 20, 2016) at 2. Nevertheless, the Public Representative also raised a few issues considered to be relevant to evaluation of the proposal. *Id.* at 3-4. One issue was raised regarded proxy data. *Id.* at 3. Regarding this concern, the Postal Service notes that proxy data play a very small role in the expansion process. In FY 2015, proxy data were used in 2.6 percent of the air LP mail stream and 1.9 percent of the air CP mail stream, as measured by GBS Dispatch weight. The Postal Service likewise views the other concerns raised by the Public Representative (regarding more modifications to SIRVO-IODIS and alleged potential errors in the estimation methodology) to constitute insufficient bases to question or delay the approval of Proposal One.

Therefore, the Postal Service respectfully requests, in accordance with the overall recommendation of the Public Representative, that the Commission approve

Proposal One as submitted by the Postal Service.

Respectfully submitted,

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